PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY COMMITTEE via ZOOM September 16, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Robert Weatherall called the meeting to order at 7:08 with the following members present: R. Donahue, K. Carlson, J. Fay, P. Polonsky, R. McShera, T. Jones, Chief A. Theriault, H. Schwartz, P. Dziadose, C. Surpitski, and J. Emerson. Absent were L. Alexson and Chief Paul Nikas.

CITIZEN QUERIES. None.

DISCUSSION ON CONTINUING STRATEGIES RELATED TO PUBLIC OUTREACH, TOWN MEETING

While the group was intending to virtually attend the Finance Committee meeting in its second night of discussion of Warrant Articles for Town Meeting on 10/17/20, Bob felt the need to clear up some pending matters. Jamie confirmed that the PSFC Warrant Articles are on the Fin Com agenda for 7:40 and 8:00 p.m. Bob referred to a question that has come up regarding the 6 p.m. start time on September 29 under a tent for PSFC to answer questions from citizens. Several spoke in favor of moving the date because of the darkness, and Bob said that he would inquire at Town Hall about changing the date to Saturday, October 3.

In discussion re the Fin Com meeting, items to be mentioned included the correction printed in <u>Ipswich Local News</u> regarding property taxes relative to a new public safety building. Chief Nikas has a spreadsheet re the two Warrant Articles to be voted at Town Meeting. Jamie commented that the appraisal for the Linebrook/Pine Swamp property was completed by the same people who had done the Pony Express Farm for the Town, and partial cost for the OPM of the PSFC project is included in the \$2.25 million override (a document sent out by HKT on 8/4/20), the balance of which will be in the future bond. Rob spoke of the many questions which have come in on Facebook for the next PSFC meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Rob moved, seconded by Tammy, to adjourn at 7:35 p.m. so that PSFC members could join the Finance Committee meeting on Zoom. Roll call IN FAVOR- Weatherall, Donohue, Carlson, Jones, McShera, Theriault, Schwartz, Dziadose, Surpitski, Fay, Polonsky, Emerson.

Addendum: Finance Committee Meeting via Zoom

Motion made by J. Fay, seconded by Michael Dougherty, to support Warrant Article 8 of the October 17 Town Meeting for the <u>purchase of land</u> on Linebrook/Pine Swamp Road for the sole purpose of building a public safety facility. Roll call OPPOSED- R. White; IN FAVOR-Hartford, Fay, Schaaf, Dougherty, Goodrich, Bourke, Doucette, Skelton.

Motion to support Warrant Article 9: \$2.25 million design for a public safety facility. Roll call IN FAVOR- White, Goodrich, Fay, Schaaf, Bourke, Skelton; OPPOSED- Hartford, Dougherty, Doucette.